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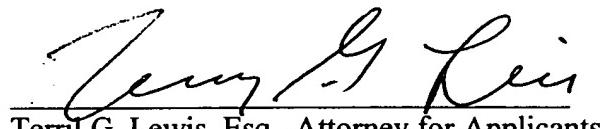
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Respectfully Submitted,


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	C1	Photograph of "Food Waste Disposer Selection Chart" by In-Sink-Erator, undated, believed to be available since approximately 1999.
	C2	"Disposer Selection Guide," 2-pages, dated January 31, 2002, available on-line since July 20, 1999, found at http://www.insinkerator.com/select.html

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